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**LETTER RE: STATEMENT UNDER 42 U.S.C. 2182**  
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A statement under statute 42 U.S.C. 2182 has been filed in the above-identified application. Copies of the statement and required application papers are forwarded herewith.

A dated acknowledgment of receipt in the U.S. Department of Energy of the copies of the statement and required application papers is requested to determine the starting of the 90 day period recited in the statute. A duplicate copy of this letter is provided for a return receipt.

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